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Date: <u>January 18, 2001</u> Docket No.: 2611-0138P Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box PATENT APPLICATION Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): SUGIHARA, Takashi KINJO, Kaoru; SHIMIZU, Katsuhiro For: WAVELENGTH MULTIPLEXING OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM <u>|</u> I Enclosed are: A specification consisting of 54 pages \_X <u>X</u> 11 sheet(s) of <u>formal</u> drawings An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee <u>X</u> Certified copy of Priority Document(s) <u>X</u> Executed Declaration <u>X</u> X Original \_\_\_ Photocopy Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27 Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.76

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